

B.E. Mechanical Engineering Sixth Semester  
**ME603 - Operations Research**

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Time : Three Hours



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Max. Marks : 80

- Notes :
1. All questions carry marks as indicated.
  2. Answer Q. 1 or Q. 2, Q. 3 or Q. 4, Q. 5 or Q. 6, Q. 7 or Q. 8, Q. 9 or Q. 10
  3. Illustrate your answers wherever necessary with the help of neat sketches.
  4. Use of non programmable calculator permitted.
  5. Use of Random No-chart and Normal std. distribution table is permitted.

1. a) i) Discuss various phases of operation research and its importance. 8
- ii) What is the role of operations research in decision making ? 8

**OR**

2. a) Solve the following LPP by simplex method. 12
- Minimize  $Z = 5x_1 + 3x_2$
- subject to

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 12$$

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 10$$

$$5x_1 + 2x_2 \geq 10$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

- b) Verify the results of above LPP by graphical method. 4
3. A company has 5 jobs to be done the following matrix shows the return in RS. Assign the five jobs to five machines so as to maximize the total expected profit. 16

Job M/C	1	2	3	4	5
A	5	11	10	12	4
B	2	4	6	3	5
C	3	12	5	14	6
D	6	14	4	11	7
E	5	9	8	12	5

**OR**

4. Determine optimal solution to the problem given in Table 4.1. Obtain initial solution by VAM. 16

Table 4.1

To From		MARKET				Supply
		M <sub>1</sub>	M <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>	M <sub>4</sub>	
P L A N T	P <sub>1</sub>	6	4	9	1	40
	P <sub>2</sub>	20	6	11	3	40
	P <sub>3</sub>	7	1	0	14	50
	P <sub>4</sub>	7	1	12	6	90
Demand		90	30	50	30	

5. A small project consist of seven activities, the details are given below.

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Activity	Depends on	Time Estimates		
		$t_o$	$t_m$	$t_p$
A	-	1	3	7
B	A	2	6	14
C	A	3	3	3
D	B, C	4	10	22
E	B	3	7	15
F	D, E	2	5	14
G	D	4	4	4

- Find critical path
- Find the probability that project is completed within 31 days
- Find the probability that project is completed 2 days earlier than project duration.
- What project duration will have 55% confidence of completion ?

**OR**

6. A marketing manager wants to launch a new product. The activity breakdown, normal and crash durations and costs are given in table 6.1

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Table 6.1

Activity	Dependency	Normal		Crash	
		Duration	Cost	Duration	Cost
A	-	3	50	2	100
B	-	2	75	1	150
C	-	6	140	4	260
D	A	5	100	3	180
E	A	7	115	6	145
F	B	2	80	2	80
G	C, D, F	4	100	2	240

If the indirect cost is Rs. 60/- per day, find the optimal project duration. Also find minimum duration and its cost.

7. A computer contain 10000 resistors, the cost of replacing a register individually is Rs. 5/- only. The cost of replacing a register in group is Rs. 2/- per register. The % of registers surviving at the end of n months is given below.

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Month	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
% of surviving at the end of the month	100	97	90	70	30	15	0

- What is the optimum replacement plan.
- What should be the cost of resistor so that we prefer individual replacement policy over group replacement policy.

**OR**

8. a) Explain the following :

i) ABC Analysis.

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ii) VED Analysis.

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- b) A company requires 16000 units of raw material costing Rs. 2 per unit. The cost of placing an order is Rs. 45/- and the carrying costs are 10% per year per unit of the average inventory. Determine : 8
- i) Economical order quantity.
  - ii) Cycle time.
  - iii) Total variable cost of managing the inventory.
9. a) A self service store employs one cashier at its counter 8 customers arrive on an average every 5 minutes while the cashier can serve 10 customers in the same time. Assuming Poisson's distribution for arrival and exponential distribution for service rate, Determine : 8
- i) Average no of customers in the system.
  - ii) Average no. of customers in the Queue.
  - iii) Average time customer spends in the system.
  - iv) Probability that there are more than 2 customers in the system.
- b) Discuss characteristics of Queuing model. 8

**OR**

10. Arrivals at a public telephone booth are considered to be Poisson with an average time of 5 minutes between an arrival and the next. The length of a phone call can be assumed to be distributed exponentially with a mean of 3 minutes. Use Monte Carlo simulation technique to find out : 16
- i) Average waiting time for customer.
  - ii) Probability that a customer has to wait.

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